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The Honorable Charles W. Duncan, Jr. The Secretary of the Department of Energy

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Subject: Approval of the Department of Energy Accounting Principles and Standards Statement (FGMSD-80-51)

It is my pleasure to approve the Statement of Accounting Principles and Standards for the Department of Energy. The Statement, submitted formally by you on March 26, 1980, is adequate and in conformity with our prescribed accounting principles and standards for Federal agencies.

To maintain the approved status of the Statement of Accounting Principles and Standards, planned changes should be discussed with our representatives and, if Jeemed significant, formally submitted for approval.

Representatives of our Office will continue to cooperate with your staff in developing accounting system designs covered by these approved principles and standards.

Sincerely yours,

SIGNED HILL B. STAKTS

Comptroller General of the United States

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